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detention or embargo issued under this section shall not be considered to be licensing or an adjudatory proceeding, as those terms are defined by Title 5, Part 18.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 63

H. P. 248 — L. D. 293

AN ACT to Clarify the Definition of Employer under the Workers' Compensation Act.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

39 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 6, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 746, § 2, is further amended to read:

6. **Employer further defined.** "Employer" shall include corporations, partnerships, natural persons, the State, counties, water districts and all other quasi-municipal corporations of a similar nature, cities, and towns, **municipal school committees and union school committees**; and if the employer is insured, it includes the insurer unless the contrary intent is apparent from the context or it is inconsistent with the purposes of this Act.

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CHAPTER 64

S. P. 148 — L. D. 325

AN ACT Relating to Self Employee Workers' Compensation Insurance Coverage.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

39 MRSA § 2, sub-§ 5, ¶ B, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 539, § 1, is amended by adding after the first sentence the following:

Such a person shall elect personal coverage by insuring and keeping insured the payment of compensation and other benefits under a workers' compensation insurance policy. The insurance policy shall clearly indicate the intention of the parties to provide coverage for the person electing to be personally covered. The

insurance company shall file with the commission notice, in such form as the commission approves, of the issuance of any workers' compensation policy to a person electing personal coverage. That insurance shall not be cancelled within the time limited in that policy for its expiration until at least 30 days after mailing a notice of the cancellation of that insurance to the commissioner and the person electing personal coverage. In the event that the person electing personal coverage has obtained a workers' compensation insurance policy from another insurance company, and that insurance becomes effective prior to the expiration of the 30 days, cancellation shall be effective as of the effective date of the other insurance.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 65

H. P. 461 — L. D. 574

AN ACT Concerning the Release of Certain Information Furnished for the Filing of Liens for Support Payments.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

19 MRSA § 503, sub-§ 1, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 532, § 3, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

1. **Filing.** The lien shall attach to all nonexempt real and personal property of the responsible parent when the department files, in the registry of deeds of any county or with any office appropriate for a notice with respect to personal property, a certificate which states the name of the responsible parent, his address, the amount of the child support debt accrued, the date of the decision or notice of debt by which the debt was assessed and the name and address of the authorized agent of the department who issues the lien.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 66

H. P. 139 — L. D. 158

AN ACT to Require Personnel Files to Include Medical Records and Nurses' Station Notes.